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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MASAKAZU MATSUGU, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/435,774

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Filed: November 8, 1999

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,

IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD,

AND STORAGE MEDIUM

Examiner: Not Assigned

Group Art Unit: 2851

February 28, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for

Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice To File Missing

Parts Of Application - Filing Date dated December 3, 1999 for one

Month from February 3, 2000 to March 3, 2000.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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